

SOLDIERS' LETTERS

Editor Times:
We will now write a few lines as we enjoyed reading our other letters and also enjoyed letters that we received from unknown friends.
The weather is still hot here but we are having some rain which cools the atmosphere to a certain extent. We have some bad sand storms here but we go through them just the same—shut both eyes and keep right on marching in step. We are going on a little hike of about three miles tomorrow for a little rifle practice. We've only got two more days to attend the Gas Mask school and then we will have it perfect. We can put gas masks on in ten seconds. That is what we call a ten cent hustle in Old West Virginia. We are getting along good, have nice lieutenants and commanders, and that is the main point. We have been on guard two terms, twenty-four hours each. It is lonesome at night, but we have good guns and plenty of ammunition and everybody knows to stop when we say halt. The Company Commander says not to swear unless we are mad and I think that is a good idea. The boys who don't obey orders around here are the ones that cut the wood and we never have run out of wood yet, but we have not cut any up to this time.
Peaches are ripe and corn is waist high, and I don't think it will be long until we can see the darkies pick cotton. That is the main crop in Dixie Land. There are six cotton mills surrounding this place.
The 5th Infantry is still out on rifle range and will be back Thursday or Friday.
Wednesday June 19th—Just returned from our little hike and target practice and enjoyed it fine. If our little army would pass through old Pocahontas and shoot like we did today they wouldn't last long in a snow ball in a furnace. We are anxious to get across the pond and wind up Germany as soon as possible so we can hunt a few days this fall for big game with our Springfield rifles.
Charley McQuain was over to see us today, the first time we have seen him since we have been here.
There is about 8000 horses here, and believe me, it takes lots of feed. It's about time to go to roost. Good night and best wishes to all.
Simpson Gragg,
Roy Kellison,
Co. G. 6th Div. Ammunition Train,
Camp Wadsworth, S. C.
June 18, 1918.

Editor Times:
I shall attempt to write you a few lines again from a camp many miles north from Greenleaf. I am sure you would think so if you should travel that distance in charge of a bunch of men, with barracks, bogs and rations to take care of, and wake up next morning dreaming you had jumped out of an oven into an ice box. I have slept indoors only once since in the army, and that was in a hotel in Chattanooga, Tenn.
We are now quartered in a big grand stand overlooking a race track. If we had a drug store in camp I am sure they would not keep cough drops as they would not have any customers for that article.
The first night here I was awoken about 3 a. m. by a Sanitary Sgt. and a private shaking me and informed that I was sleeping on the wrong side. The private, after looking over the bunch remarked: "An h—l Sgt. they are all wrong. I was sleeping on my back, and have not yet found out which side I should really sleep on. I have looked up all the sanitary regulations I can find but have found no information to that effect."
The camp was quarantined yesterday on account of measles in town,

and to make it just a little harder, Ringland Bros. circus is there today. There is no murmur as it is breath wasted when working for our Uncle. We make up for this by having a big show at the Y every night. Actors are plentiful and willing even if they can only sing a song or dance a jig.
The people of the South as well as the North are royal to the soldiers. I was at church services in Allentown Sunday and was invited by several parties to dinner. A fellow never has a chance to even think of being home sick when everyone seems like home folks.
The mascot of the camp is a big black bear—a tame mascot, don't you think. We shall be about so tame when turned loose at Kaiser Bill's boys.
I have missed getting The Times on account of being changed to different organizations, but hope I am now permanent in this organization and will get your paper regularly. I hope to get home on a furlough in a few weeks.
Private N. W. Pritchard,
Camp Crane, Allentown, Penn.
June 19, 1918.

RIGHT NOW

the business of war in all its grim reality is occupying the attention of our Country.
It requirements are men, material and money.
Many are pledging their lives to our country's cause.
Labor is supplying the energy necessary to produce the material equipment.
You are asked not to give, but merely lend your money, at interest, to the Government through the purchase of WAR SAVING STAMPS
AS AN AMERICAN CO-OPERATE
We handle them.

First National Bank

Marlinton, W. Va.

SENATOR FRENCH FOR WATSON

Prominent Bluefield Democrat will Support Fairmont Man for U. S. Senate.
In a telegram to the Wheeling Register on last Saturday, Senator David E. French of Bluefield, one of the leading Democrats in the State announced that he would support Clarence W. Watson for the Democratic nomination for United States Senator.
Senator French's endorsement coming after that of Governor Cornwell and Solicitor Davis shows that the trend of sentiment among the Democratic party leaders is for Colonel Watson.
His telegram follows:
"Bluefield, W. Va. June 1, 1918.
I am supporting Colonel Watson for United States Senator. I think he should be nominated and if nominated I believe he will be elected."
(Signed) D. E. French."

GREENFIELD

Two charming social functions were last week given in Greenfield by Mr. and Mrs. Walter Garth and Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Martin, respectively. The guests of honor on both occasions were Mesdames Nellie Echard and Bettie Thomas, of Marlinton, W. Va., daughters of the venerable Dr. W. G. Garth, now in his 83rd year. The guests not included in the family circle were Dr. and Mrs. Robert Rosser, Miss Mary Burks, Rev. J. P. Proffitt, Mrs. A. M. Jamar, Mr. Jim Rodas.
Does it seem out of place, Mr. Editor, that any elaborate social function not directly concerned with Red Cross work should be given in Greenfield or elsewhere when the crisis of this terrible war is upon us? But listen to me! The hams, fried chickens, potatoes, eggs, pickles, salads, jellies, Jersey butter, all were the products of the farms of Messrs. Garth and Martin. Sugar was, of course, used in the "hereafter" which consisted of cake, ice cream, strawberries and coffee. These hospitable friends might, nevertheless, be censured, were it not known in a quiet way that they had done not merely "their bit," but their very best for the success of the Red Cross work in Greenfield.
Mesdames Echard and Thomas on Saturday last left for their home in West Virginia.—Nelson County (Va.) Times.

SLATY FORK

John Victor has moved here from Spruce.
Mrs. John Baughman, of Marlinton, is visiting her parents here.
Miss Erle McClung of Poage Lane was visiting her brother Hoxie, McClung over Sunday.
Miss Violet Sharp has returned from a two weeks' visit with relatives at Ronceverte.
Mrs. Edith Irvine is visiting her daughter, Mrs. L. D. Sharp.
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CROP REPORT

Parkersburg—The week was abnormally cool, with record low temperature for the last decade in June on Sunday and Monday mornings.
Light frosts occurred in many of the northern counties, but there was practically no damage, except over the eastern portions of Preston and Tucker Counties, where corn and gardens were much injured. All growth was much retarded. Wheat and rye are being harvested in the southern and eastern counties and these grains are nearly ripe in most of the central and northern counties. The yield will be above the average. Oats are good. Potatoes are fair to good, but need rain in the western counties. Corn is backward and somewhat patchy, but an average crop is expected. Some buckwheat has been sown. All farm work was delayed by wet weather in the southeast counties and thence northward to the State line.
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Preaching at the Huntersville Presbyterian church Sunday afternoon at 3:30 by the pastor, Rev. J. M. Walker.
Edray District Sunday school convention at the upper church on Swago Saturday June 29.

Announcements

To the Voters of the Tenth Senatorial District of West Virginia:
I respectfully announce my candidacy for the Democratic nomination for State Senator, for the Tenth Senatorial District of West Virginia, subject to the August primary election.
I fully realize that important legislation will necessarily come before the West Virginia Legislature during the next four years. If nominated and elected, I promise to give my best service of my ability aided by the experience I possess.
Respectfully,
E. H. Morton.
To the Republican voters of Pocahontas County:
I am a candidate for the office of Prosecuting Attorney, for the term beginning after the election, November 6, 1918, and expiring December 31, 1920 subject to the action of the primary of August 6, 1918.
Joshua E. Buckley.

FOURTH OF JULY

The Fourth will be observed in Marlinton as Red Cross Day.
A feature will be an automobile parade in which the local Red Cross will give a prize for the best float representing some part of the Red Cross work. Every business house and every automobile owner is expected to show his patriotism by taking part in this parade. There will be public speaking, track meet events and other entertainments. It will Red Cross Day, so prepare to come to Marlinton.

THE WAR BOARD

This week questionnaires are being mailed to all men who registered on June 5th, this year. Every man should make an effort to return the questionnaire within seven days from the date the same is mailed, and failure to do so will result in them being reported as delinquents to the Adjutant General of the State, and they will be immediately inducted into the service.
On Friday of this week the Local Board will entrain 33 men for Camp Lee. Their names appeared in last week's issue of the county papers.
The Board has received a call for 20 men to be entrained for Richmond Fair Grounds July 14th to undergo a course of special training in radio operating and other operating and other mechanical work. No man can be inducted for this call who has not completed the grammar school work and who has not some mechanical aptitude. This is open to volunteers until July 1st, and if a sufficient number do not enroll by that day the Board will meet July 2nd and select those who are qualified without regard to order number.
The Board has also received a call for 57 men to be entrained for Camp Meade July 22nd. When this call is filled there will remain very few white men in Class 1.
It appears that quite a number of Class 1 men have changed their address and have not notified the Board of the change. This is resulting in a number of men being reported as deserters, and it is particularly requested that all men in Class 1 get in touch with the Board at once.
DR. GEO. F. HULL, Chairman.

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RED CROSS CONTRIBUTORS

FROM LEVELS DISTRICT
Jacobz—Those contributing 100 each are Mrs. W. W. Curry, Ruth Curry, Mrs. L. P. Curry, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. McClure, M. S. Wood, C. D. Hill, 200 L. P. Curry, Mrs. Boggs, Peter Hill, Mrs. Lydia Hill, Theodore McMillon, Mrs. Margaret Hill, Mrs. Lizzie Hill, W. H. McMillon, Mrs. W. H. McMillon, Clarence McMillon, those contributing 50c, are Mrs. Leo McMillan, Wilson Hill, Herbert Hill, Hammie Lewis, Remus Holmes, George Boggs, 45c, Mrs. Mary Scott, 35c, Miss Annie Young 25c, Miss Nettie Young 25c, Okey Kellison, Lawrence Steg, Jesse Kellison, Miss Laura Steg, Jennie Sharp, Mrs. Fannie Steg, Henry Young, Mrs. D. C. Hill, Mrs. W. M. Boggs, Those contributing 25c, Mrs. Blanche Clutter, Gilbert Clutter, Mrs. John Long, 10c, Blanche Clutter, 10c, Miss Helen Curry, Miss Marie Carr, Total 58 30.
Burr—H. S. Burr, 5 00, Miss C. Burr 1 00, W. C. Burr, Paul H. Burr 50c, Summers Burr 50c, M. V. Burr, 1 00, Total 9 00.
Beard—Those contributing 20 00 each are John Sheets, B. D. Moore, G. C. Beard, E. B. and Dennis Callison. Those contributing 10 00 each are Mrs. G. C. Beard, H. M. Smith, J. M. Cutlip, T. H. Hiner, 85 each L. M. Kidd, Mrs. Nannie Beard, W. M. McCoy, Guy Brown, W. D. Eye, Walter Downing, N. D. McCoy, J. S. May 8 00, John G. Hamrick, C. S. May, Those contributing 1 00 each are Mary Kincaid, Mrs. W. W. McCoy, Dennis McCoy, Mrs. E. M. Beard, Miss Nannie Beard, 2 00, Mrs. D. M. Callison, Miss Eva McCoy, Sandy McCoy, Ernest McCoy, Orb Bowman, Mike Callison, J. H. Kincaid, E. N. Carr, John McCoy, Mrs. H. M. Smith, Sam Hefner, W. A. Chisolm, Harry Sharp, John Kincaid, Sidney McCoy, A. H. McCoy, M. Dorman, Madeline Callham, Emily J. Wells 20c Pearl C. Clark, O. H. Wells, Harper Beard, Mrs. W. A. Chisolm, Forrest May 2 00, A. V. May, Harry May, Brown Perkins, E. D. Fogus, G. H. Neathawk, Mrs. Lizzie Callison, Dewitt Callison, 2 00, Alvie Pritt, Nick Mathanial McCoy, James Doss, 5 00, Kyle Beard, Clarence Jordan, Mrs. J. W. Beard 5 00, Total of 254.

UPPER CAMDEN

Working gardens and setting out plants the order of the day. People are trying to raise all they can to help win the war.
Misses Gertrude and Pearl Fortnne, of Charleston, were guests at the home of V. M. Fortune last week. They went on to Camp Lee to visit their brother who is in training there.
Mrs. McAlister, with her two little sons, Franklin and Woodrow, spent a week with her sister, Mrs. V. M. Fortune. She thinks this is a good place and says she is coming back.
Another of our Westover friends, Murry Buchanan, has returned to Marlinton. He says he wont leave here any more.
Our Superintendent, Mr. Hench, has returned from Pennsylvania.
Newton Painter, who was home on a furlough from Camp Shelby, Miss., has returned to camp. We were glad to see him. Good luck to all the soldier boys.
Rev. G. W. Woolard preached an interesting sermon at the Oak Grove Sunday afternoon.
Mrs. Adkins is at the Marlinton Hospital where she underwent a severe operation. She is reported as getting along fine.
We enjoyed the Children's Day at the Presbyterian Church. The children were well trained.
Mr. Palmer and daughter Miss Grace were guests of friends at Beard recently.
Mrs. Claude Wiley is visiting her brother at Richwood.

SIGNS AND SEASONS

BY ANNA L. PRICE
The lingering sun light gilds the vale,
Kissing the dark green trees,
Bidding our part of earth farewell,
Over the land and seas.
That sunlight hath accompanied us,
Thro' toil to evening rest;
And now what is the record bourne.
What news from east to west?
Sad news of all mankind at war,
The dove of peace hath fled,
And the fair fields of France are strewn
With the dying and the dead.
The very sea that lies between
Is an avenue of death.
And God's pure air is poisoned foul,
To suffocate the breath.
Satan walks up and down the earth;
It is an evil hour,
Oh, Lord, cut short these suffering days,
With Thine Almighty power.
Do not despair, God is in heaven,
And holds the mundane helm;
He is the sovereign ruler yet
Of the universal realm.
The eye of faith looks up to God,
He knows that we are dust,
Our sins deserve His chastening rod,
And tho, He slay, we'll trust.
Five righteous souls are in the town,
The voice of prayer is heard,
And the church of God proclaims aloud
The everlasting word.
The sun of nature will arise
And shine another day;
And Christ the Sun of righteousness
Is the Life, the Truth, the Way.

Robert Shrader Hurt

Robert Shrader was seriously hurt Saturday morning by being thrown from his buggy when his horse ran away at the Aaron Kee place below Marlinton. His skull was fractured and he suffered other injuries. He was brought to the Marlinton Hospital, and is doing as well as could be expected, considering the seriousness of his injuries. The horses ran on and went over the road on the Price Hill, going but little hurt to themselves or the buggy.

WANLESS

We are glad to report that the majority in our community are interested in Red Cross work, and the time may come when all will be interested for where the heart is there is where we find the treasure, and many fond hearts and willing hands are preparing to care for their boys on the battlefield.
On the evening of the 15th cake and ice cream was served to a nice crowd and \$38.00 was realized for the Red Cross. The railroad failed to deliver one can of cream which cut our supply short. We wish to make special note of the good people of Hosterman and Nida with their hungry presence and with filled and free spirit to help the worth cause. We are only sorry we could not entertain them more comfortably.
War Saving Stamps is our next task. This looks like Uncle Sam is soon to take possession of what we have. The writer feels that it is the least of the war to lend the money to our government if you have it, and all can have a little. Remember the widow's mite.
Mrs. Carline Morrison is visiting her brother, C. C. Wanless.
Willis and Odie Cassell motored to Highland county last Saturday.
Dr. Hannah is active in this part selling W. S. S.
W. B. Tallman is skidding logs for Mr. Cox near Hosterman.

ARBOVALE

Miss Mabel Gillispie returned home last Friday from teaching her second term of school.
Mrs. W. A. Eskridge and three small sons, of Marlinton, are visiting at the home of her father, J. W. Riley.
Miss Flossie Flynn has gone to Pendleton county to spend some time visiting relatives.
R. M. Arbogast went to Marlinton Tuesday to attend county court.
Miss Amy Burns has returned home after spending the winter in Cincinnati where she attended school.
Miss Flossie Conrad is at Cass this week having some dental work done.
Mr. and Mrs. Oda Woodzell spent Saturday and Sunday with the later's mother, Mrs. Keirn, near Dunmore.
John Williams passed through our town on his way to his home in Va.
Mrs. John Ryder and children of Frost, are visiting at the home of her parents.
Miss Bessie Beard is spending some time with her grandparents at Cass.
Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Lambert are the happy parents of an eight pound boy.
Mrs. Uriah Hevener, Jr., is in Lewisburg visiting her parents. She is accompanied by her two small sons.
Mrs. Estle Wilfong and Mrs. Earl Wilfong spent Monday at the home of Mrs. Eliza Conrad.
With a few exceptions the whole community is interested in, and doing their part for the Red Cross.

HILLSBORO

Mrs. Margaret LaRue is visiting friends in Covington and other points in Virginia.
Mr. and Mrs. Carl Beard and children, Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Beard and children, and Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Cackley were recent visitors at the home of Mrs. Zed Smith in Bath county, Va.
Mr. and Mrs. Harr and children spent the week end with friends in Cass.
Mrs. John Andrew Sheets, of Green bank, spent the week end with her daughter, Mrs. Hill.
This community was shocked to hear of the distressing accident which befell Robert Shrader last Saturday. He had spent a week here with his son Bliss and family, and started home driving a pair of spirited horses which ran away throwing Mr. S. out of his buggy by the roadside where he lay unconscious until picked up and carried to the Marlinton Hospital by two gentlemen who were passing in an automobile a few minutes later.
The District Sunday School convention held in Oak Grove Presbyterian church last Saturday, was full of interest to those present and very much enjoyed by everybody. President Geo. L. Clark worked faithful to obtain a report from every school in the district, and as an evidence of appreciation of their labors, they were unanimously reelected to fill the same offices for the next year.
Mrs. Will Yeager, who is District Secretary of the Lewisburg District of the Womens' Missionary Society, will hold the district meeting at Covington, Va., June 29th to July 1st. Marlinton will be represented by Mrs. Rexrode, Messrs. Julia Gay and Genevieve Yeager.
The Junior Missionary Society will meet with Frances and Rebecca Hill Saturday, July 6th at 4 o'clock.

NOTICE TO FARMERS

The Virginian Joint Stock Land Bank, OF CHARLESTON, WEST VIRGINIA is in position to make farm loans within fifteen days. Loans made under Federal Supervision. For terms and application blanks apply to H. W. Comstock, Lewisburg, W. Va.

Important Announcement

We take this opportunity to express our appreciation of your patronage and to announce a more definite policy all of which has for its object saver business methods and improved service to you.
The War
War times have made new conditions and changed business relations. The NATIONAL COUNCIL OF DEFENSE thru the National Credit Men's Association recommends to all retailers a change in their credit terms upon the following basis "REQUIRE" "That payments be required for all purchases the first of the following month."
JOBBERS and MANUFACTURERS no longer give us the terms and discounts usually given.
Past Due Accounts
Firms who carry a number of credit accounts must meet their bills. When accounts run past due, merchants must borrow from the banks and pay interest on same in order to carry these long over due amounts. Taxes have increased. More capital is required. Purchases must be made months in advance and often paid for before received.
Terms
It is now imperative in order to keep business upon an economical and efficient basis that the following terms be adhered to.
That effective July 1st, payments be required on all purchases the first of the following month except where other special terms are agreed upon for special reasons. Accounts not paid by the 10th of the month will be closed to further charges until the account is paid. And accounts chronically slow will be closed not to be reopened again. Further we have always believed there should be a sufficient difference in a CASH and charge purchase to equal the expense of taking care of the charge—consequently on all cash purchases of \$1.00 or more a discount of 2 per cent. will be allowed from all regular charge prices—the cash buyer no longer helping pay the charge account of his neighbor.
Co-operate
We trust you will realize the situation and co-operate with us and relieve any embarrassment to you or ourselves from enforcement of these terms. Each doing our "bit" as a matter of national defense.
Respectfully,
A. S. Overholt & Son
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P. S. July 1st, we take annual inventory and make financial statements to commercial agencies and we ask for settlement of every account on our books promptly that we have no delays in this work.

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